



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Nishiuchi et al. Examiner: Unknown  
Serial No.: 09/807,865 Group Art Unit: 2651  
File Date: April 19, 2001 Docket: 10873.704USWO  
Notice of Allow. Date: N/A Batch No.: N/A  
  
Due Date: July 19, 2001  
Title: OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, AND METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RECORDING/REPRODUCTION

RECEIVED  
JUN 27 2001

Technology Center 2600

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this correspondence and the paper, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: , Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on June 19, 2001.

By: *Jennifer Carlson*  
Jennifer Carlson

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

We are transmitting herewith the attached:

- Transmittal Sheet in duplicate containing Certificate of Mailing
- Information Disclosure Statement, Form 1449, 6 Reference(s)
- Other: International Search Report
- Return postcard

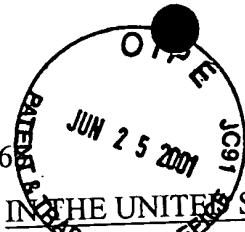
Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers, if appropriate. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

MERCHANT & GOULD P.C.  
P.O. Box 2903, Minneapolis, MN 55402-0903  
612.332.5300

By: *DPM*  
Name: Douglas P. Mueller  
Reg. No.: 30,300  
DPMueller/jlc



S/N 09/807,865



#3  
JPS  
14/81  
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Nishimichi et al. Examiner: Unknown  
Serial No.: 09/807,865 Group Art Unit: 2651  
Filed: April 19, 2001 Docket No.: 10873.704USWO  
Title: OPTICAL INFORMATION RECORDING MEDIUM, AND METHOD  
AND APPARATUS FOR RECORDING/REPRODUCTION

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8: The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the paper, as described herein, are being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on June 19, 2001.

By: Jennifer Carlson  
Jennifer Carlson

RECEIVED  
JUN 27 2001

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (37 C.F.R. §1.97(b))

Technology Center 2600

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted within three months of the filing date of the above-identified application. Accordingly, no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2), a copy of each document or other information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 is provided.

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art." Moreover, Applicants do not represent that a reference has been thoroughly reviewed or that any relevance of any portion of a reference is intended.

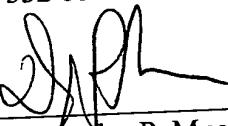
Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account

No. 13-2725.

Respectfully submitted,

MERCHANT & GOULD P.C.  
P.O. Box 2903  
Minneapolis, MN 55402-0903  
(612) 332-5300

By 

Douglas P. Mueller  
Reg. No. 30,300

Dated: June 19, 2001

DPM/jlc